

United States Steel Corporation Clairton Works 400 State Street Clairton, PA 15025

December 22, 2003

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Subject: USS Reference Number: 03-0137

#2 Control Room USS Clairton Works

Gentlemen:

The attached form confirms our verbal report of the subject incident. Any questions concerning this matter should be referred to Daniel J. Belack at 233-1114.

Sincerely,

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NOTICE OF OUTAGE OF EQUIPMENT ARTICLE XXI - SECTION 2108.1

- 1. USS Reference Number: 03-0137
- 2. Date & Time of Breakdown: Date: 12/16/03 Time: 1607 hours
- 3. Company Name: U.S. Steel Corporation USS Clairton Works
- 4. Specific Equipment Involved or Affected: #2 Control Room
- 5. BAPC Permit Number (if applicable):
- 6. Location: Clairton, PA
- 7. Nature and cause of breakdown: The #2 Control Room coke oven gas separation process was bypassed when the main regenerators shut down due to a problem with the process computer control system.
- 8. Identification of Emissions:
 - A. Type(s) (CO, NOX, SO_2 , Particulates, Hydrocarbons, etc.) Elevated H_2S in the downriver and under-firing gas line systems, causing increased SO_2 and VOC at point of combustion.
 - B. Toxic qualities of each type (including its qualities as an irritant, and its potential for causing illness, disability, or mortality). SO₂ is and VOC could be an eye, nose, and throat irritant.
 - C. Amount of each type emitted (or likely to be emitted). Light to moderate
- Measures taken (or to be taken) to minimize length of breakdown and amount of emissions, including shutdown or curtailment (or why it is impossible or impractical to do so). The Main Regenerators were returned to service upon completion of the repairs.

10. Facility back in operation - Date: 12/16/03 Time: 2250 hours

Signature Dul Rull Date 12-23-03

Daniel J. Belack

Environmental Control Engineer Phone: 233-1114